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**MarineFisheries Advisory**

**MARINEFISHERIES ENACTS  
SEASONAL YELLOWTAIL COMMERCIAL TRIP LIMITS &  
SEPTEMBER CLOSURE IN RECREATIONAL BLACK SEA BASS FISHERY**

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The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (*MarineFisheries*) took two emergency actions, effective immediately, regarding commercial yellowtail and recreational black sea bass. *MarineFisheries* will gather public comment on these emergency actions at future public hearings.

**Commercial Yellowtail**

In a move to complement recently adopted federal regulations under Amendment 13, *MarineFisheries* adopted a 250-lb commercial yellowtail trip limit during the months of April through May and October through November. This trip limit will increase to 750-lbs. during the months of June through September and December through March.

**Recreational Black Sea Bass**

As part of the Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Black Sea Bass, *MarineFisheries* adopted a two-week closure in the recreational fishery from September 8<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>.

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